

CLAIMS:

1. A method of controlling the program selection at the receiver (6) of at least one broadcast medium, in which a list (7) of preferred programs is managed in accordance with predetermined criteria, and in which at least a part of the criteria is based on information about the program evaluation by other users of the broadcast medium.

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2. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the program evaluation is gained from an inquiry of evaluation notes by other users and/or from an audience or viewer number.

3. A method as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein at least a part of the predetermined criteria is based on information about:

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- the program provider;
- a description supplied with the program;
- an evaluation of the program supplied by the program provider;
- explicitly predetermined user preferences;
- 15 - implicitly gained user preferences;
- the position of a program in the list (7);
- the period of time elapsed since the last selection of a program;
- the time a user stays with a program; and/or
- the period of time elapsed since the insertion of a program in the list (7).

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4. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the criteria are weighted adaptively.

5. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein control inputs enable a user to navigate stepwise through the list.

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6. A method of controlling the program selection at the receiver (6) of at least one broadcast medium, in which a list (7) of preferred programs is managed in accordance with predetermined criteria, and in which control inputs enable a user to navigate stepwise

through the list, particularly a method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein a new program is added to the list, when its limits are exceeded when navigating through said list.

7. A method as claimed in claim 5 or 6, wherein programs fulfilling a temporally
5 limited negative criterion are positioned at a distance from the current navigation position (11) in the list (7), which distance corresponds to the remaining duration of the negative criterion.

8. A method as claimed in any one of the claims 1 to 7, wherein program
10 information is supplied when a program is selected from the list (7).

9. A receiver (6) for at least one broadcast medium, comprising a processing unit
(9) for managing a list (7) of preferred programs in accordance with predetermined criteria,
wherein the processing unit (9) has an input for information signals (3) relating to the
15 program evaluation by other users of the broadcast medium, and wherein it is adapted to perform a method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8.

10. A method as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8, or a receiver as claimed in claim 9, wherein the broadcast medium is television or radio.